

Dear friend,

Audover 10th mo 22nd 1835

Just before receiving thy letter of the 24th ulto I had written to the Clerk of our Meetg for sufferings expressing in pretty strong terms my sense of the proceedings of that body. The following is an extract from my letter to him. "The Mem^l cannot now be in Wash^g at the opening of Congress without a special call of the Meeting for sufferings whereas if it could have been, & have aided the flood of benevolent effort that is ready to be poured in, possibly it might have effected the glorious work intended & have prevented the severing of many a tie dearer than life & the breaking of many a heart. Not a few of the Members with myself will I believe feel bound to wash their hands of this deep responsibility & if at our next meeting all intreaty & remonstrance fail & the Memorial be suppressed I see no way for us to act but to prepare a statement of our dissent to lay before the Y. C. to be signed by such as may wish to do so." — In his reply he says in relation to an extra Meeting "We have consulted with some Members of thine for S. & will with more, & if a safe prudent Member approve it will forward notice," he also says "The M. C. in my opinion must go to the next session of it follows the direction of the Y. C."

I have waited in expectation of rec^d these notices but hear nothing further. have provided a list of the Members which is annexed. Stephen Freadwell with whom I expect to leave home to attend D. P. D. Cong^l & next week approves of our preparing a few lines expressing ourselves at least should the M. be suppressed & to avoid the stir this would make in society I am inclined to think it will be sent on but too late to have any effect. Letters have recently been rec^d from our fr^d Elisha Dawson he was then at Exeter Dorchester & a friend of that place had concluded to be his fellow traveller tho' I found he would be disappointed for it

way seems to be opening for him to get along more comfortably, he has ^{been at} ~~had~~ ^{your} ~~perhaps~~ half a dozen meetings with friends & many with Med. Mts &c to good satisfaction & in a free conference with a dozen friends I think at Nottingham. They encouraged him to proceed in removing the wrong impressions respecting us, adding that they considered his Mission one of the most interesting ever paid by any American friend.

We feel a deep interest in the success of ^{the} Convention at Antice for the formation of a D. F. S. A. S. it was to assemble yesterday & whether in Peace or assailed by mobs the righteous cause is onward, the violence of the South will greatly accelerate its progress. in those proceedings we see the necessity of relaxing ~~no~~ right effort that will tend to abolish a system so destructive to the white, converting men in whose breasts might dwell all the peaceful & benevolent affections into Monsters of Enmity & vice.

I did not see my way quite clear to attend this when I have all hope of ~~reviving~~ ^{that} our Society ^{will grow} to the subject & may hesitate no longer. but while it requires the continual toil of more than one hundred thousand slaves to furnish freight for the ships of one member of our meeting for sufferings, humanity as respects this cause has little to hope from that body. yet I cannot but esteem the generosity & good qualities of the individual here attached to, & believe he sincerely wishes his business was thro' a less polluted channel.

Friends generally seem to deplore the present excitement for my sake I hope it will never subside until slavery be abolished. there is less to be dreaded from our relapsing into our former sleep of death.

Affectionately Thy friend
Chas. Marriote

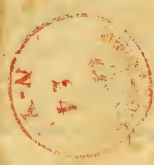
List of the Members of the Meeting for sufferings
appointed in 1835 for 3 years.

Sam^l Mott
Jesse Merritt
Robt Hicks
Henry Cole
Isaac Downing
Silas Child
Valentine Hicks
John D Wright
Gideon Frost
Sam^l Parson
Stephen Underhill
Nathan Comstock
Wm C White
Nathaniel S Merritt
Sam^l Willets
George F White
Richd Field
John Barrow
Thos Carpenter
Sam^l Hicks
Ben & Corlus
Othel Baker
Josiah Macy
Isaac T Stopper
Amos Willets
Jno^l L Mott
Sam^l Barnes
Wm H Cornell
Thos H Burling
David R Carpenter

Solomon Haviland
William Carpenter
Jacob Willets
James Alley
Calib Barker
Dan^l C Gerow
Isaac Smith
Thos Wright
Charles W Hall
Charles Harriott
Henry Frost
Sam^l Reese
Hocum Barker
Nathaniel Starbuck
Rowland T Robinson
Stephen Freedwell
Jacob Guiney
Lewis Burtis
Thos Shepherd
John Townsend Hallack
Henry Fitts
Giffen Williamson
Edward Young
Isaac Vaile
John Corlus
Joseph Hampton
Joseph Lafetra
Sam^l Hollishead
Daniel Carpenter

If an extra meetg of the M. for S. be called (which I doubt) notice
is understand are to be sent by the Clerk to every member our next
Meeting in course will be held the 1st second day in 12th mo next
would it not be better to have this meeting permanently held 2 weeks
or one month earlier? C. C. H.

App^d times for holding the Meeting for Shoppers are
the first second day in the 9th, 12th, & 3rd months and
in the time of the yearly meeting.



Richard D. Robinson

Derbyburgh

Newport.